

ARIZONA BOARD OF ATHLETIC TRAINING

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REGULAR SESSION MEETING MINUTES

October 4, 2010

Board Members Present: Laurie White, ATC - Chair

Michael Nesbitt, ATC - Vice-Chair Aaron Nelson, ATC - Member

Board Members Absent: Jennifer Fadeley, Public Member

Staff Present: J. Randy Frost, Executive Director

Veronica Cardoza, Administrative Assistant Vicki Egurrola, Administrative assistant

Legal Staff Present: Montgomery Lee, Assistant Attorney General

Call to order

The regularly scheduled telephonic meeting of the Arizona State Board of Athletic Training was called to order at 8:00 a.m.

Approval of the Meeting Minutes of September 13, 2010

Michael Nesbitt moved to approve the September 13, 2010 regular session meeting minutes as presented. Aaron Nelson seconded the motion, the motion passed 3-0.

Declaration of conflicts of Interest

No declarations were made.

Review Board Meeting Schedule

There were no changes made to the meeting schedule.

November 1, 2010 9:00 a.m. In person December 6, 2010 9:00 a.m. Telephonic

Initial Review of Complaints

There were no new complaints before the Board.

Discipline Status Report

The Board discussed the Disciplinary Status Report of the following licensees.

Tara Hodge, ATC License # 0742-Complaint number 08-AT-003

Randy Frost informed the Board that he had heard from the process server and that the attempt to serve Ms. Hodge at her place of employment was unsuccessful. Mr. Frost stated Ms. Hodge did not leave any forwarding addresses. Mr. Frost stated that a skip trace could be done to locate Ms. Hodge for an additional cost and that it would drag out the process.

Montgomery Lee informed the Board that he is not the Board's advisor at this time regarding Tara Hodge. Mr. Lee stated that as the prosecutor who is moving the case forward before the Board that he believes there is a problem with moving the hearing forward without Ms. Hodge being served.

Following discussion Aaron Nelson moved to direct staff to try everything possible to locate Tara Hodge, before attempting a skip trace which is not to exceed more than \$150.00. Mr. Nesbitt seconded the motion. The motion passed 3-0.

The Board reviewed the remaining licensees on the disciplinary status report.

Aaron Howard, ATC License # 0878, there has been no changes at this time. Michael McKenney, ATC Lic. # 0076, there has been no changes at this time. Teresa Balam, ATC License # 0911, there has been no changes at this time. John Leonard, ATC License # 0687, there has been no changes at this time.

Michelle Grover, ATC License # 0121, The Board discussed that after reviewing Ms. Grover's file, Ms. Grover appeared before the Board June 4, 2010 to discuss her late renewal. At which time the Board had moved to issue a Decree of Censure to Ms. Grover to assure that her renewal information is provided to the Board in a timely manner. After the review of her file it appears that a Decree of Censure had not been issued to Ms. Grover.

After discussion the Board directed staff to have the Decree of Censure issued to Ms. Grover.

George Hackett, ATC License # 0348, Ms. Egurrola informed the Board that Mr. Hackett faxed a continuing education course over for approval by the Board for the Medical Ethics course that is required in his consent agreement. After the review of the course HLT 305: Legal and Ethical Principles in Health Care, the Board had a concern as to where Mr. Hackett would be completing the course as it does not state on the paperwork provided.

The Board directed Ms. Egurrola to call Mr. Hackett and ask him where he will be taking the course.

Mr. Hackett stated that it is an online course which is 4 hours through Grand Canyon University. Aaron Nelson moved to approve the continuing education course HLT 305: Legal and Ethical Principles in Health Care 4 credits, upon receipt of the syllabus, and as long as the course is given by Grand Canyon University. Michael Nesbitt seconded the motion. The motion passed 3-0.

Review, Discussion, of Opening/Closing Interview Statement

The Board tabled discussion of this matter.

<u>Substantive review, discussion, and vote regarding the applications for licenses as follows</u>

a. Initial applications

| Gregory Spence | Selena Taegel | Christina Thompson | Angel White |
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| James Young | | | |

Michael Nesbitt moved to approve the 5 initial licenses. Aaron Nelson seconded the motion. The motion passed 3-0.

b. Renewal applications

| John Adam | Natasha Anderson | Cherisse Kutyreff | Lana Olson |
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| Diana Padilla | Breanna Reeser | Brian Reinker | Frederick Richardson |
| Maritza Rodriguez | Carlos Rue | Allison Russell | Nicole Sweer |
| Jacob Tafoya | Scott Takao | Bradley Tedder | Jessica Thomas |
| Daisha Tillman | Gerilyn Trulove-Mellor | Kyle Turner | Tamera Valovich Mcleod |
| Ashley Ward | Ryo Watanabe | | |

Aaron Nelson moved to approve 20 of the 22 renewal applications on the list excluding licensees Cherisse Kutyreff and Allison Russell. Michael Nesbitt seconded the motion. The motion passed 3-0.

The Board reviewed and discussed the applications of Cherisse Kutyreff, and Allison Russell. Following discussion Aaron Nelson moved to approve the renewal of their license. Michael Nesbitt seconded the motion. The motion passed 3-0.

Following discussion of letters that are being received from licensee's employer's regarding the title being used practicing at their facilities while not having a current Athletic Training license.

Laurie White directed staff to draft a letter that will be sent to Strength Training Inc. regarding employees that are working under the scope of practice, to ensure that they are licensed as Athletic Trainers, and submit for review at the Board's November meeting.

c. Renewal applications: (continued practice without current license)

At this time there are no applicants practicing without a current license.

Review, discussion and Possible Action - Other Business

Review and discuss documentation requested from the September 13, 2010 Board meeting regarding licensees.

The Board reviewed and discussed the letters requested from Mohammed Mirza, and his employer regarding practicing Athletic Training while his license was expired.

Following discussion Aaron Nelson moved to issue Mr. Mirza a Consent Agreement with the terms of 1 year probation, \$250.00 civil penalty, and 3 hours of Board approved Medical Ethics. Michael Nesbitt seconded the motion. The motion passed 3-0.

The Board reviewed and discussed the letter received from Jamie McClellan's employer.

Following discussion Laurie White made a motion to request more information from Ms. McClellan's employer to include job description, and job duties which is to be verified by the employer as well as the Athletic Trainer Ms. McClellan. Mr. Nesbitt seconded the motion. The motion passed 3-0.

Review renewal application and information received back from AZ DPS regarding licensee's background checks.

The Board reviewed and discussed the information that was returned back from AZ DPS regarding 3 Athletic Trainers.

The Board discussed Mr. Stewart's AZ DPS report, following discussion the Board moved to direct staff to request more information from Mr. Stewart regarding the information that was reported from AZ DPS.

Mr. Mirza was present to explain to the Board the results of his background report from AZ DPS. Following discussion the Board moved to take no action against Mr. Mirza.

The Board discussed Mr. Rackey's AZ DPS report, following discussion the Board moved to direct staff to send Mr. Rackey a letter to invite him in to appear before the Board at their November, or December Board meeting to answer questions they have regarding his AZ DPS report.

The Board discussed the possibility of changing the questions on the Athletic Training renewal application. The Board has asked that staff draft up new questions and submit to the Board at their November meeting.

Review, Discussion and Possible Action regarding information to go out to licensees regarding the Statute change.

The Board reviewed and discussed the draft letter that will be sent out to all licensees regarding the new laws.

The Board agreed that they would like to see HB 2074 on the letter which is related to the continuance and the operation of the Board.

Following more discussion the Board decided that there are several changes to be made to the draft letter. The Board agreed that it would be easier to email their changes to the Director Mr. Frost to make the changes, and to hold a special Telephonic meeting October 13, 2010 at 8:30 a.m. to approve the final letter.

Review, Discussion and Possible Action regarding the revision of the Administrative Rules.

a. Update on Rule process

Mr. Frost informed the Board that he has been in contact with a rule writer who is employed with the State, and provided him a list of the Rules that are going to be affected. The rule writer is putting together the docket so once the Board has received approval the docket can be filed.

b. Status of letter to the Governor requesting an exemption to the moratorium.

Mr. Frost informed the Board that a letter was sent out to the Governor on the exemption to the moratorium. The Board discussed that if the project is too much for the rule writer Rob Smook, and the committee who will be helping. Then the Board will make the decision whether or not they will need to hire an additional rule writer.

c. Discussion and possible action on hiring a rule writer.

Review, Discussion and Possible Action on Administrative Matters

a. Revenue and Expenditure Report

The Board reviewed and discussed the Revenue and Expenditure report with no concerns.

b. Review of Administrative Project Report

The Board reviewed and discussed the Administrative Project Report.

Mr. Frost informed the Board of the Sunrise/ Sunset Process which will take effect in the future. Mr. Frost stated that he had contacted Wendy Hammon regarding any notes or documentation that she may have regarding the matter. Mr. Frost stated that Ms. Hammon said that she did not take anything with her when she left that everything was left.

The Board reviewed and discussed the Revised Statutes and Rules.

Mr. Frost informed the Board that he had contacted the Governor's Office regarding the vacant Board member position. The Governor's office stated that they would like to have more applications to choose from. Mr. Frost also informed the Board that he has also posted the vacant position on the website

Mr. Frost updated the Board regarding the National Practitioner Data Base.

Mr. Frost informed the Board of the AT Budget request for 2012 and that he is working with the OSPB budget analyst on an issue with the funding because of the separation of OT and AT funds.

Mr. Frost also stated that they have encountered another problem with GAO and setting up the funding. The problem is that the new law the gives authority was for the Athletic Training Board to have a separate fund and to deposit into that fund, however, no authority was written into the law to allow the Board to spend it. At this time Mr. Frost, OSPB, JLBC and GAO are continuing to work on clearing things up.

Mr. Frost informed the Board that he had placed notice on the website regarding the new fingerprint law which took effect July 29, 2010.

b. Future Agenda Items

Discuss Rule revision

Review draft of new questionnaire for initial, and renewal licenses.

Draft of penalties, and discipline regarding non-disclosure on initial, and renewal applications.

Call to the Public

A call for public comment was issued by the board with no response.

<u>Adjournment</u>

There being no further business before the Board, Michael Nesbitt moved to adjourn the meeting. Aaron Nelson seconded the motion. The meeting adjourned at 10:45 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

J. Randy Frost Executive Director